

# Zoonoses and emerging infectious diseases

*Delia Grace*

*Program Leader, Food Safety and Zoonoses  
International Livestock Research Institute, Nairobi, Kenya*

*Science-Policy Forum*

*Second session of the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-2)  
Nairobi, Kenya, 20 May 2016*



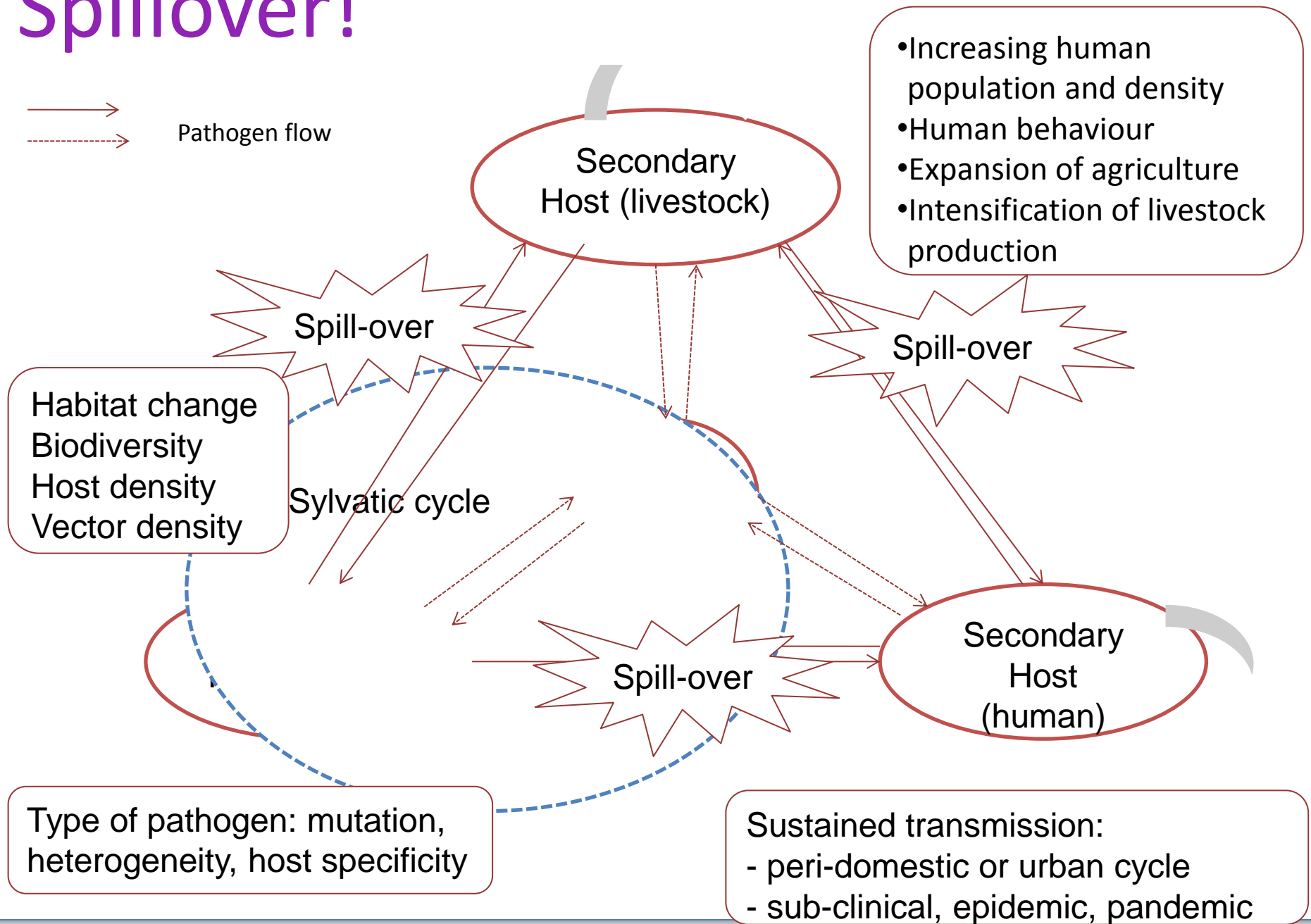
# Overview

- **Zoonoses: the lethal gifts of livestock and wildlife**
  - Emerging infectious disease
  - Neglected zoonoses
  - Costs of disease
- **Drivers of disease**
  - Demography and increasing demands
  - Land use change and environmental degradation
- **One Health solutions for zoonoses**
  - Understanding disease
  - Surveillance and response
  - Addressing underlying causes

# Where do we get our diseases?

- Few are Legacies
  - Paleolithic baseline: yaws, staph, pinworms, lice, typhoid, tb
- Most are Earned
  - Degenerative diseases: heart failure, stroke, diabetes, cancer
  - Allergies, asthma, autoimmune diseases
  - Sexually transmitted infections such as HSV-2, gonorrhea
- Many are Souvenirs
  - Around 60% of human diseases shared with animals
  - 75% of emerging infectious disease zoonotic

# Spillover!

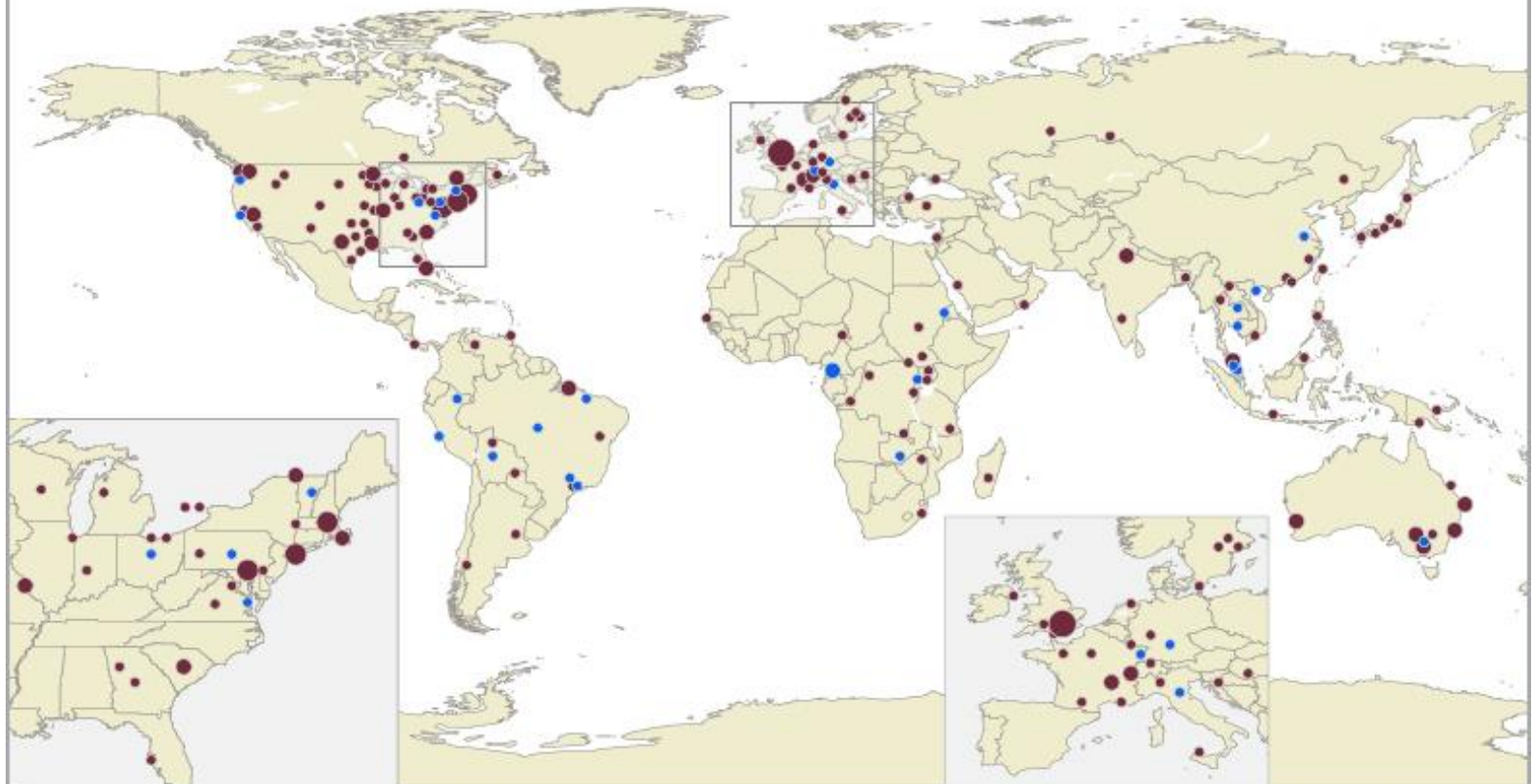


# Emerging Zoonotic Disease Events, 1940-2012

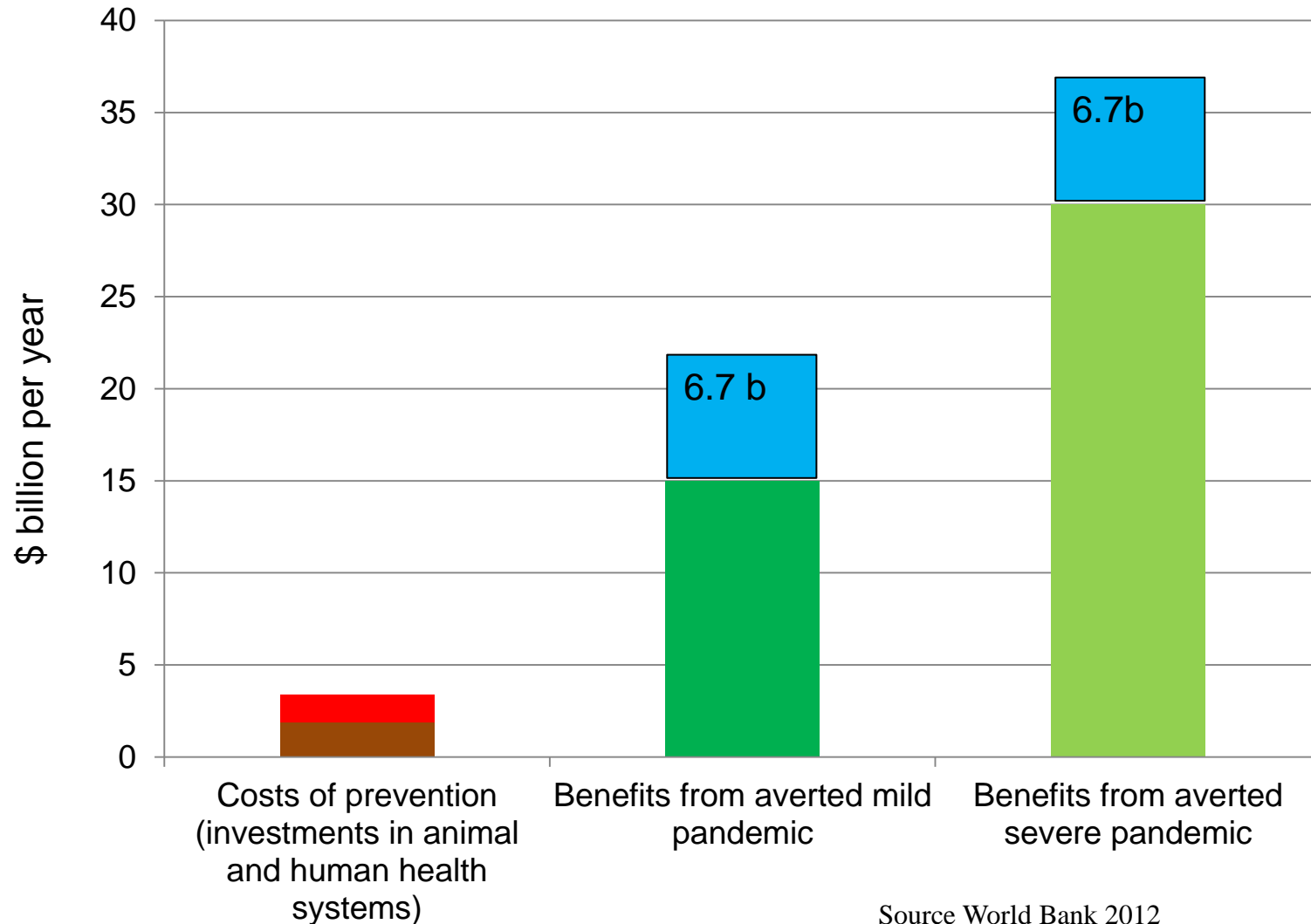
## Potential Hotspots in US, Western Europe, Brazil, Southeast Asia

Most emerging human diseases come from animals. This map locates zoonotic events over the past 72 years, with recent events (identified by an ILRI-led study in 2012) in blue. Like earlier analyses, the study shows western Europe and western USA are hotspots; recent events, however, show an increasingly higher representation of developing countries.

- 1 EVENT
- 2-3 EVENTS
- 4-5 EVENTS
- 6 EVENTS
- EVENTS IDENTIFIED IN 2012 (recent emergence)



# Annual expected benefits of prevention of pandemic and non-pandemic outbreaks







Young girl presenting her pet chicken to culling team during a mass cull, Indramayu District January 2006. Photo by Peter Roeder.

# Greatest burden of endemic zoonoses falls on on billion poor livestock keepers

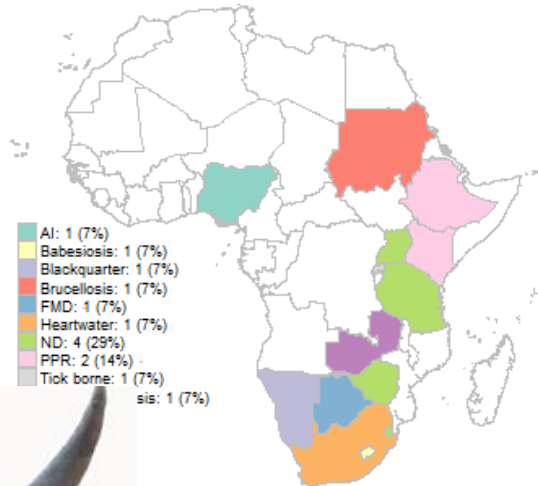
- **Unlucky 13 zoonoses sicken 2.4 billion people, kill 2.2 million people and affect more than 1 in 7 livestock each year**



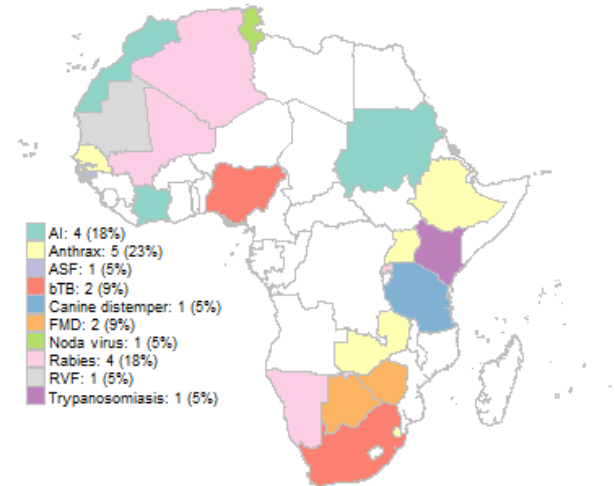


# Livestock disease huge burden

Greatest impact on food security (anglophone only)    Greatest impact on wildlife and the environment



frequently mentioned in the top three impact on food security is: 8(11%) - bTB: 7(9%) - Anthrax: 6(8%) - ND: 6(8%)



Most frequently mentioned in the top three impact on wildlife and the environment: Rabies: 11(21%) - Anthrax: 10(19%) - FMD: 6(11%) - AI: 4(8%)



## Annual mortality of African livestock

	Young	Adult
Cattle	22%	6%
Shoat	28%	11%
Poultry	70%	30%

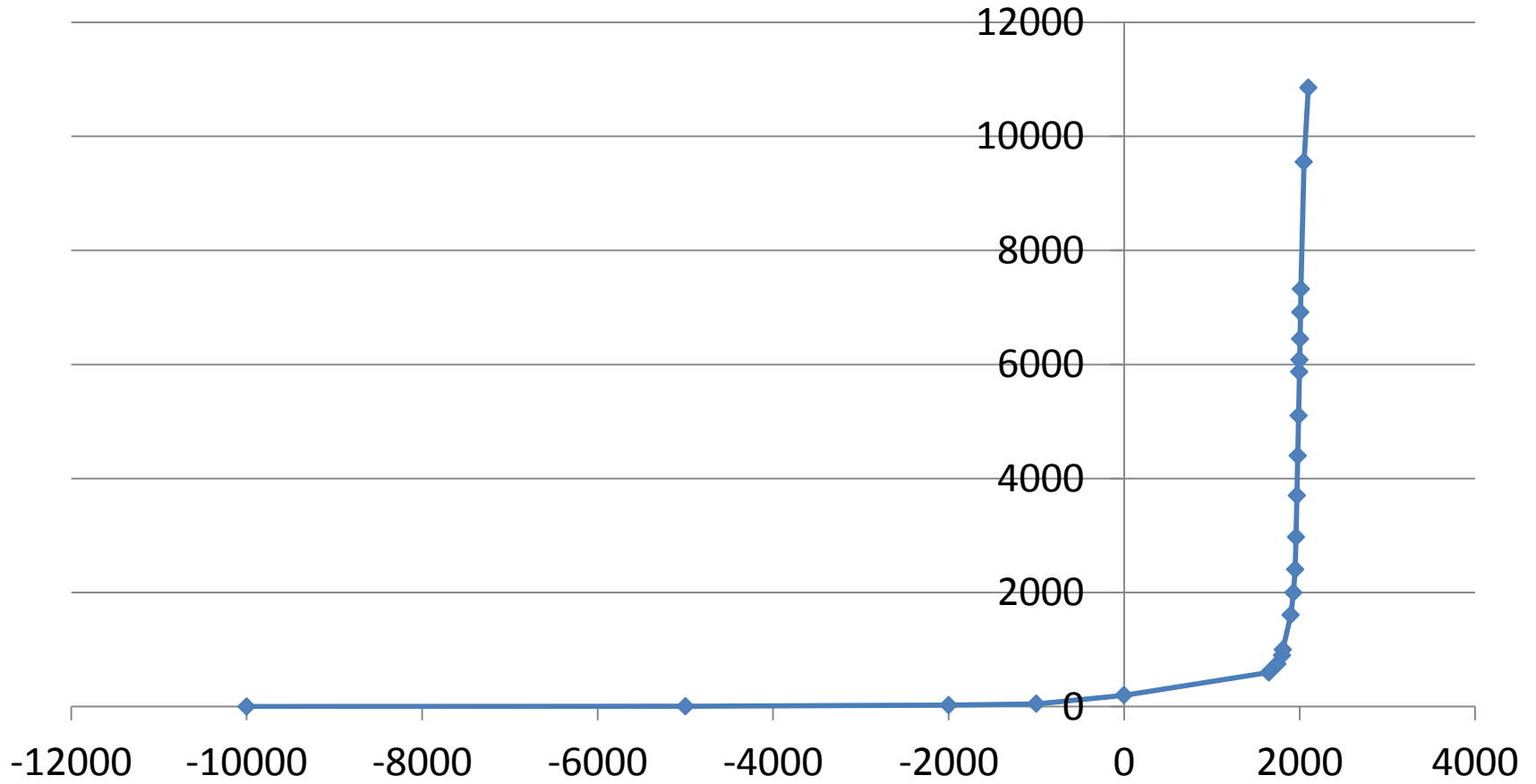
Source: Otte & Chilonda; IAEA

# Overview

- **Zoonoses: the lethal gifts of livestock**
  - Emerging infectious disease
  - Neglected zoonoses
  - Costs of disease
- **Drivers of disease**
  - Demography and increasing demands
  - Land use change and environmental degradation
- **One Health solutions for zoonoses**
  - Understanding disease
  - Surveillance and response
  - Addressing underlying causes

# Exponential population growth

**Global population (millions)**

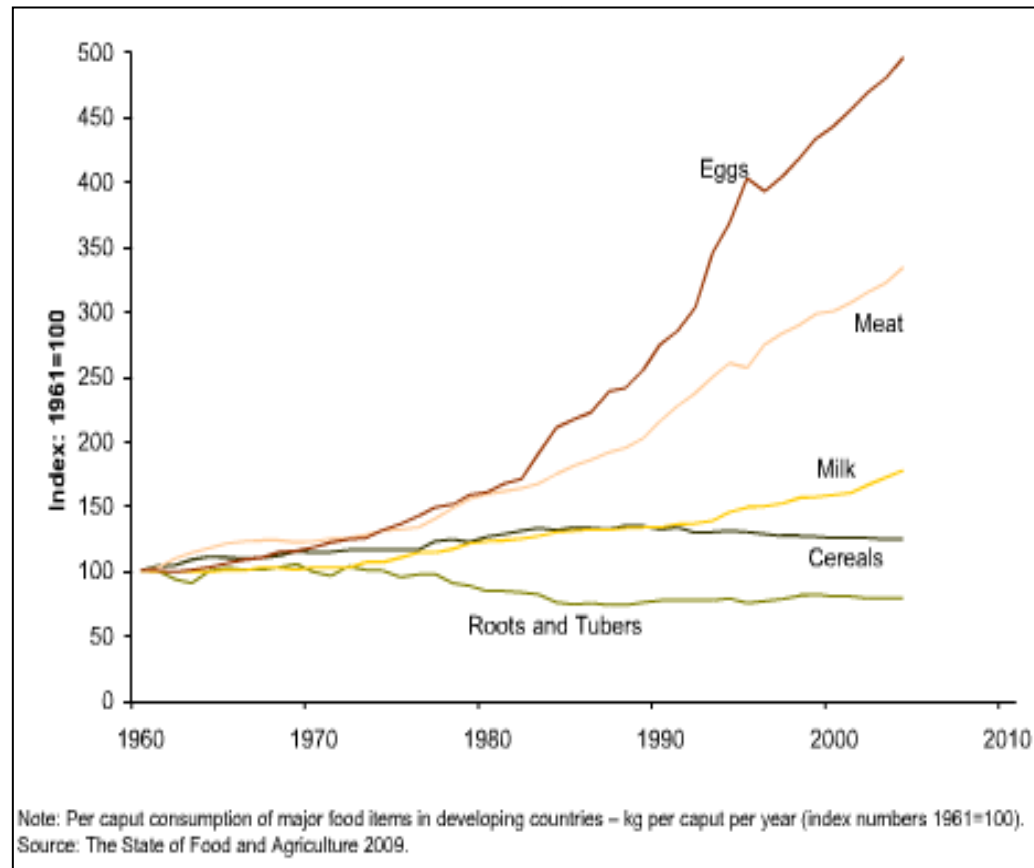


## Climate change

(temperatures to rise by 1-3.5° C by 2100)

# Feeding the world

(2.5 billion more to feed by 2050)



## Land use change

Urbanization/irrigation

## Biodiversity change

Environmental degradation

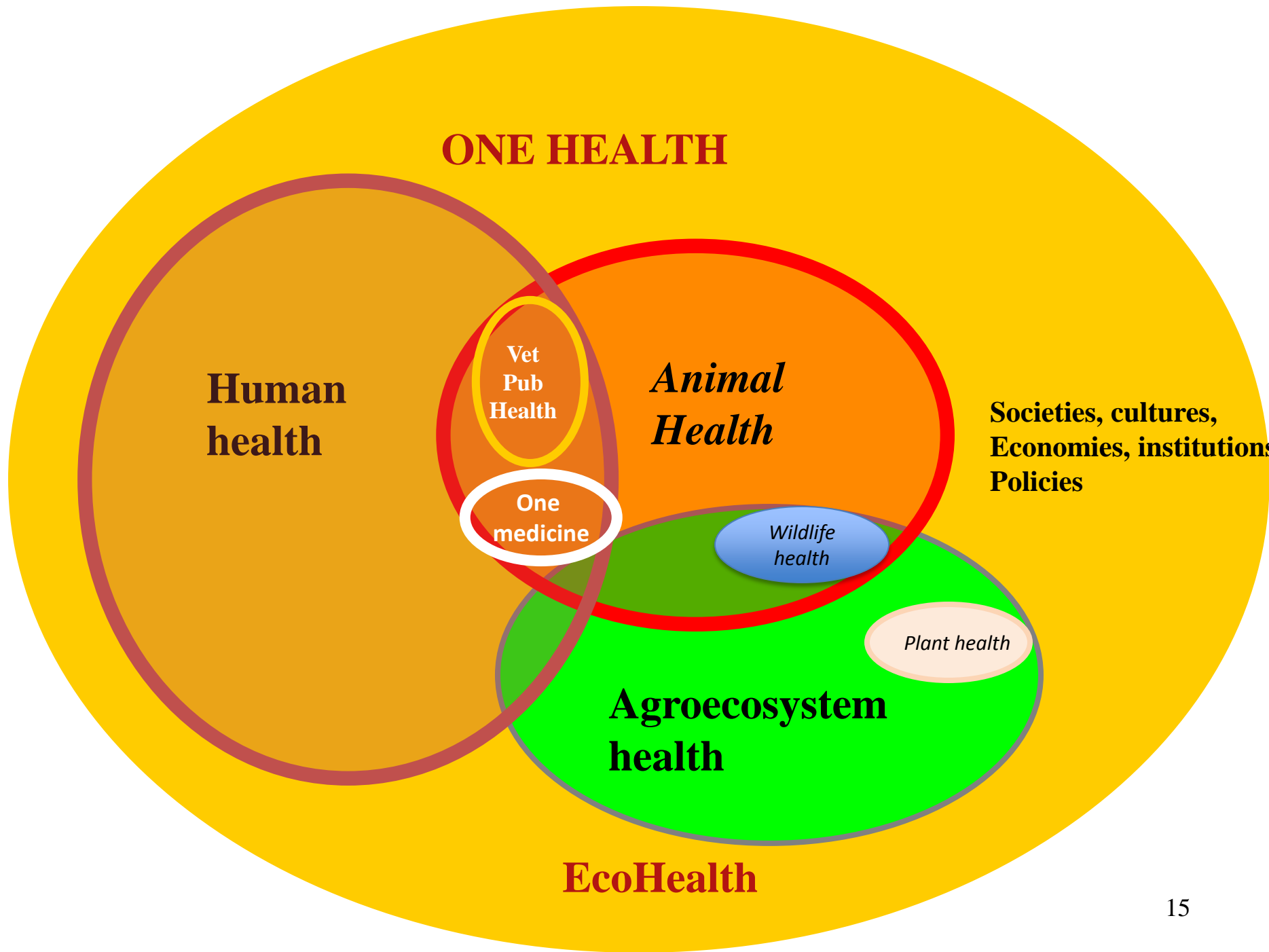




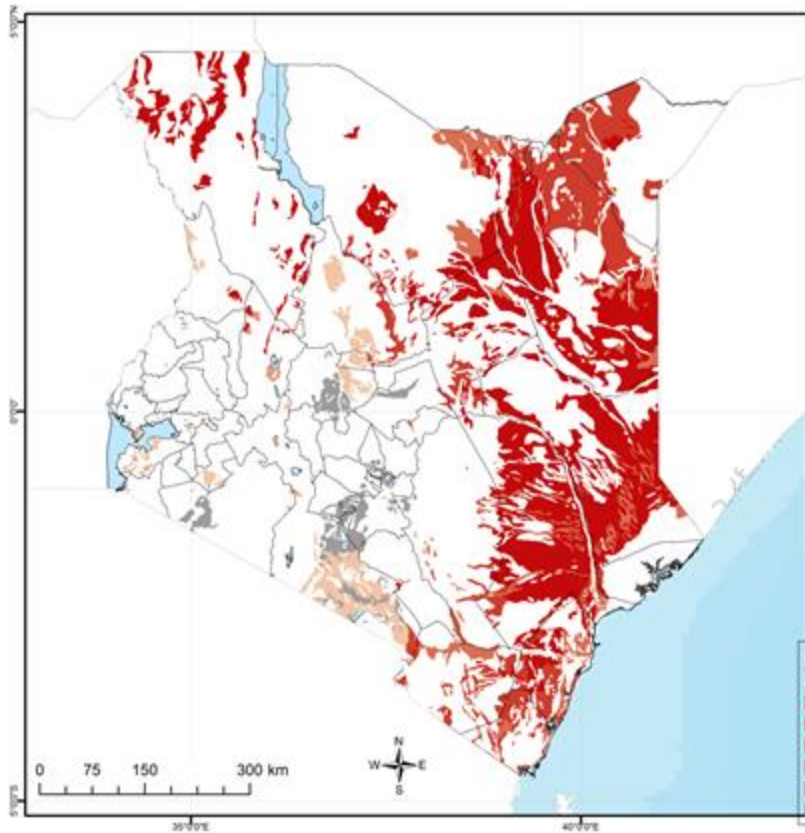


# Overview

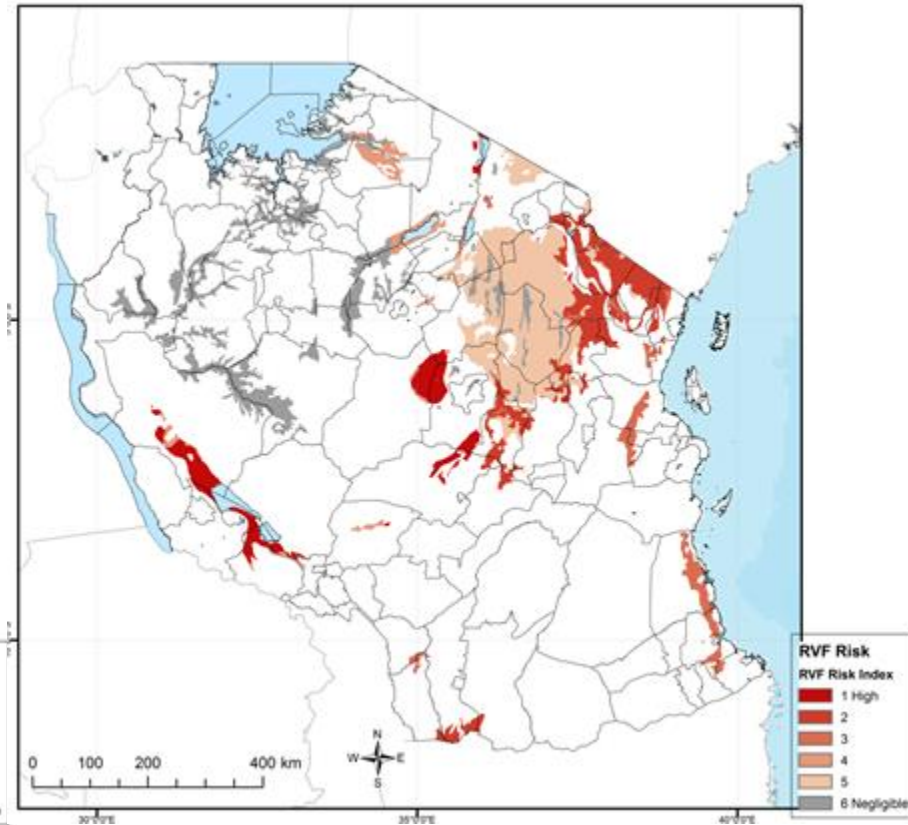
- **Zoonoses: the lethal gifts of livestock**
  - Emerging infectious disease
  - Neglected zoonoses
  - Costs of disease
- **Drivers of disease**
  - Demography and increasing demands
  - Land use change and environmental degradation
- **One Health solutions for zoonoses**
  - Understanding disease
  - Surveillance and response
  - Addressing underlying causes



# Potential RVF hotspots in eastern Africa



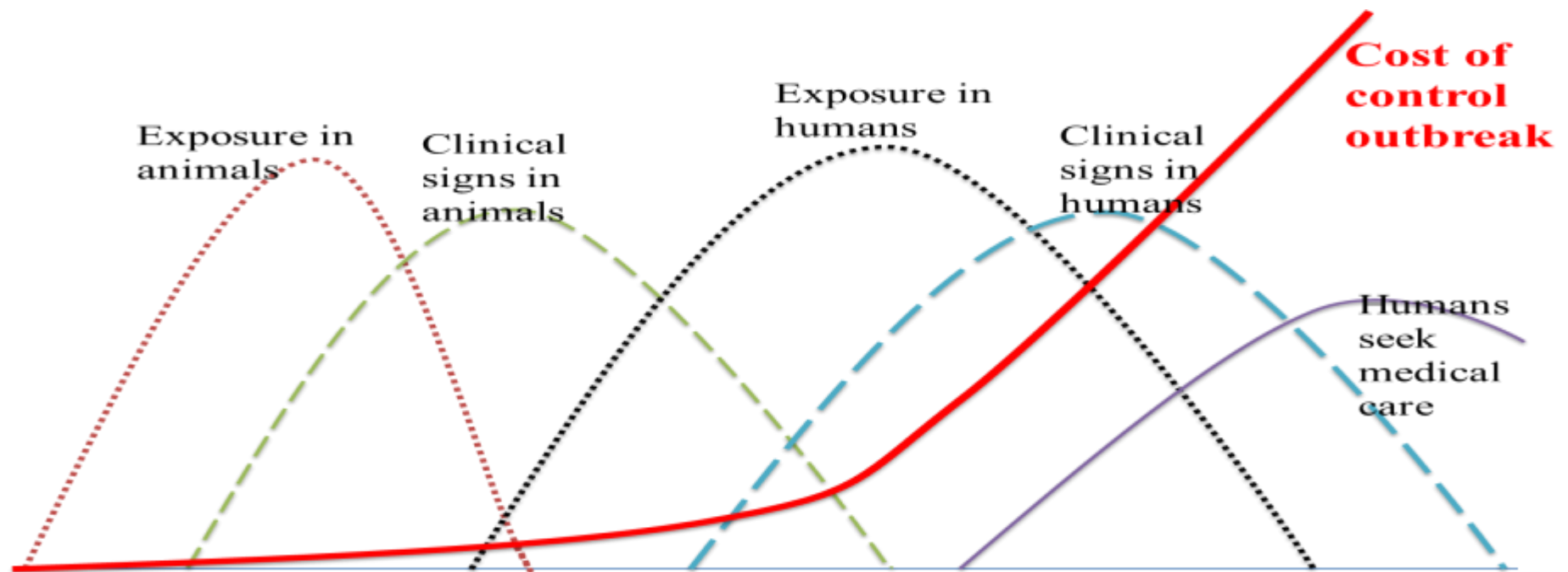
Kenya



Tanzania

# Timely responses to reduce impacts

- Surveillance and response in animal hosts can reduce costs by 90%













# Agriculture Associated Diseases

<http://aghealth.wordpress.com/>



ILRI



RESEARCH  
PROGRAM ON  
Agriculture for  
Nutrition  
and Health

Led by IFPRI